

# SPRAGUE ELECTRIC

## VICTORY

# Log

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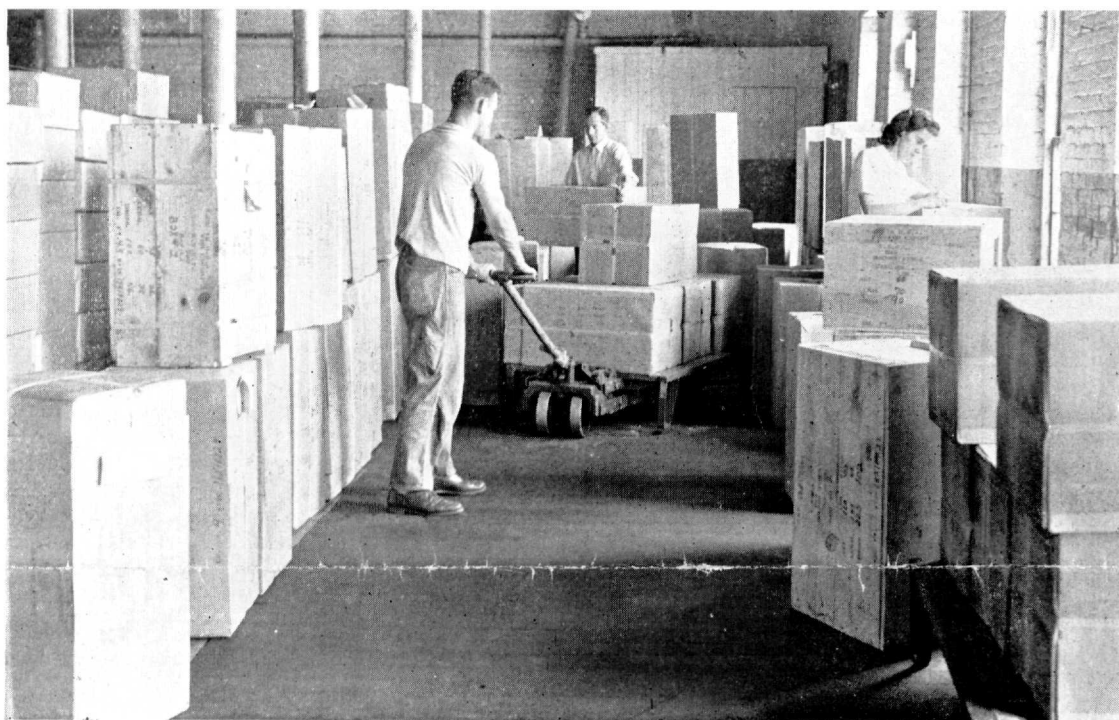
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## PERFECT ATTENDANCE CONTEST ANNOUNCED

SPRAGUE COMPONENTS GO TO ALL THE WORLD!



Sprague Components, expertly packed for export shipment, are ready to start on the first lap of their journey to some 23 foreign countries. Al Benoni, Ernie Belleau and Cecile Trudeau check, in order to meet all export requirements.

-Photo by F. Crosier

### SPRAGUE MEN WIN AWARDS

#### In Recognition of War Effort

Sponsored by the American Standards Association, four awards of merit were given to Sprague men in recognition of excellence in war work, at a dinner held in Pittsfield on the anniversary of V-J Day. Mr. Leon Podolsky, Field Engineering Manager, accepted for himself, and in absentia for Mr. Julian Sprague, Vice President of the company; Walter W. Clark, Production Engineer; and Harry E. Rice, Application Engineer until August of last year. The awards were

made in recognition of the work done on standardizing capacitors and resistors and other components.

Brig. Gen. Donald Armstrong in presenting the awards said that the war production record of American industry was made possible through the voluntary co-operation of all industry to accept industrial standards—"to stay in tune with the idea of joint mass production." In peacetime, he stated, "standards will influence our life in every phase, every moment."

### 23 Foreign Countries On Our Shipping List

Every Sprague worker will be interested to know that many of the capacitors, resistors and other components that they make are shipped to as many as 23 foreign countries—by boat and air express. These products go to their ultimate destinations by train, by horse and mule, and by human pack carriers over rough country and mountains.

In the photograph above, taken in our Shipping Department at Marshall Street there were 32 various shipments assembled and ready to be sent on their way to the following 23 countries: Alaska, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, British Columbia, Canada, Chile, Cuba, Egypt, England, India, Mexico, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Peru, Philippine Islands, Puerto Rico, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Sweden, Territory of Hawaii, Uruguay, and Venezuela.

Shipments for export are not sent out daily, like shipments to points in (Continued on page 3)

#### Photoflash Picture

You may be interested to learn that the very excellent photoflash picture of the grounds and buildings at M.I.T. published in the last issue of the Log, was taken at an altitude of 5,000 feet. When this picture was taken, the War Department was photographing a number of various experiments.

### WEEKLY WINNERS TO GET MODERN PORTABLE RADIO

CONTEST RUNS ELEVEN WEEKS  
AUGUST 19th TO NOVEMBER 2

Eleven happy Sprague Electric employees are going to be the proud possessors of the last word in portable radios when the attendance contest just announced by the Personnel Department comes to a grandstand finish on November 2.

This novel contest has the employees who usually have good to fair attendance records really up on their toes and stretching -- making every possible effort to maintain their good records or to improve them. Many workers who from time to time have uneven records now have the opportunity to come through and get a portable radio by seeing to it that their attendance records are perfect from here in.

#### IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO BEGIN

A Perfect Attendance Record  
This Week Puts You in the Running

Not only that, the good record you set this week will help you next week, because your good attendance records pile up in your favor for four weeks in a row. It's worth going after, that portable radio! As the announcement on the bulletin boards in all the Plants so well said:—"it's a good one, the kind you plug into your home current, take on picnics, use in your car when driving, or parked somewhere watching the sunset, or with the moon coming up over the mountain!"

Remember, if you want a chance to win one of those handsome portable radios, of latest design you can't be late or absent. So, don't say we didn't give you the word, and watch for the names of the winners and their pictures in the next issue of your Sprague LOG... Yours for perfect attendance.

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### SAFETY COMMITTEE FOR THE PLANTS



The Safety Committee is right on the ball - members rotate in the Plants every two weeks, and meet monthly to discuss safety problems. They are (top) Art Van Steenburg, Art Mathews, Etta Owen, George Scarbo. (Bottom) Frank Gordon, Jack Sullivan, Ray Colo, and Dan Mussolani.

-Photo by A. Horsfall

## Wanted

FIFTY MEN AND GIRLS  
FOR THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Plans are underway to put on the Minstrel in the early fall. The Committee is looking forward to a Bang Up show under the direction of George Robinson of Williamstown.

Girls and boys will be needed for the chorus, as soloists and to assist with the stage properties . . . in other words if you can or cannot sing, you still can do your part. Names are being taken at the Dispensaries . . . Don't delay sign up today.

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"Every Sprague Worker an Assistant Reporter."

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## HERE ARE THE RULES AND REGULATIONS Of the Perfect Attendance Contest

1. Who is eligible? Everyone who punches a time clock.
2. How does it work? Names of all eligible people will be put in a box and on the Monday following each work week, five names will be drawn. If your name is drawn first and you have not been late for work in excess of five minutes during each scheduled work week, or absent during that period -- you win the radio.
- If the first name drawn does not have a perfect record, the second name drawn will win if the records show perfection in lateness and absenteeism. It is possible that all five could be found ineligible. In case none of the five names drawn win, two radios will be drawn for the next week.
- As the contest progresses, each week will be added, until four have accumulated, thereafter the first week will be dropped and the last week added, so that a period of four weeks will be used as the period on which the determining lateness and absenteeisms is to be figured.
- In other words, you may win the contest the first week if your record is within the limits during the one week period, two weeks the next, etc., until a four week period is established.
3. On Vacation does it count? If you are out on vacation you will be considered as having worked a perfect week.
4. Lateness -- means you didn't punch in, on or before the hour your department is scheduled to begin. Your card must be punched by the time clock, write in time spoils the record.
5. Absence -- irrespective of reason or circumstances is counted as an absence.
6. Scheduled work week -- means the number of days the department is scheduled to work, including the number of hours scheduled in each day. If your department is scheduled to work five eight-hour days and six hours on Saturday, that is the regular schedule work week.

## "OBSERVE SAFETY RULES AT ALL TIMES"

- Says Jack Washburn

Safety in industry has so many angles to it that I would need to write a long article to cover them all. To name a few will help however. They are: the well-being and happiness of the individual. The well-being and happiness of the worker's family. The well-being and happiness of the other worker and his or her family. The loss of earning time on the job by the worker. The loss of production time by the Department and the Company. All added up together, the total loss of time through accidents throughout industry slows down the progress and economic well-being of our country.

But to me it seems that the first

two points are the most important. Accidents destroy the happiness and well-being of the individual worker. So that is why all safety campaigns, all safety instructions, and all safety measures and equipment are aimed at making the worker more careful and cutting down his accident record to zero if possible. Next time you see a safety sign or warning, please remember it is meant for YOU first and not just for the other fellow. If each one of us will make every effort to have a perfect personal safety record the totals will take care of themselves. Watch your step, play safe, — at all times, in all ways — ALWAYS!

John D. Washburn—Personnel Director

## THE COOK'S TOUR

### To aid North Adams Hospital

We are compiling a Cook Book to be put on sale in 1947. Net proceeds from the sale of this book are to be used to purchase equipment for the North Adams Hospital.

The material for the book is being contributed by the women of the city and surrounding communities. All recipes are to be submitted to a Home Economist for approval. Recipes accepted and printed will carry the personal signature of the contributor.

To the Women of the Sprague Elec-

tric Company: The committee especially invites you to send in your favorite recipes. It is hoped that this cook book will contain many signatures belonging to the Sprague women employees.

Recipes may be left with one of the following: Mrs. M. Accetta, R.N., Miss A. Costello, R.N., Miss E. Lowe, R.N., Mrs. E. Manson, R.N., Mrs. M. Mathews, Miss E. Owen, R.N., or Miss L. Spencer.

## What We Do After 5 O'Clock

Of course, when we started to interview Al Horsfall on his favorite hobby, or what he does after five o'clock, we thought he would mention his photography, since he is an ardent follower of the camera, and has turned in some very excellent shots to the Log desk in the past two years. "Put me down for woodworking," said Al, when approached—and we did. But like so many of our Sprague workers, Al is versatile. He hunts, fishes, is an ardent camera fan—but most of all, he is proud of his shop which he has built over the course of ten years, and which is beautifully equipped, with power tools.

"How did you become interested in a woodworking shop?" we asked. "Oh, I've always been interested in carpentry and tools," he answered. "Ever since I can remember, I liked to handle tools, and hammer things together. I guess when I went at it in real earnest was when the jig saw puzzle rage hit the country. It was then that I bought a power jig saw to cut out my own puzzles. This proved very profitable and I was cutting out puzzles for more customers than I could handle. Since then I have added other power equipment. I have a drill press, lathes, double grinders, molding machine, and all cutters that I can lay my hands on for each machine, and all tools that it is possible to buy."

As one example of the thoroughness with which Al had equipped the shop, the picture shows the special niche in which Al keeps his saws. There are at least 8 or 9 of them, and the best that he can get. With the keen sense of the connoisseur, Al believes in, and takes pride in, good tools. He also believes in neatness—"a place for everything and everything in its place." And just so he can lay his hands on the right size bolt or nail, he has built some 72 cabinets and drawers along the length of the shop (which is 26 ft. long) above the work benches.

The shop, besides being well lighted with fluorescent lights, is equipped with radio, a heater, and Al installed electrical power which he brought in as a separate electrical entrance from the main pole. Each machine is powered by a separate electric motor. He has a

test panel for use in testing electrical appliances brought to him for repair.

Both of Al's sons, Eddie and Albert, are interested in the shop and in woodworking, and many pleasant hours are spent here by father and sons. Eddie started to help in the shop when he was just able to hang on to the tools, and Albert is becoming skilled in running the jig saw and drill press. They spend many hours turning out toys. It's fun and it is profitable, too. The trio turn out anything from puzzles to kitchen cabinets, from toys to garden seats and trellises. Mrs. Horsfall takes a hand in the work too, adding the finishing touch in the paint job of the various articles.

Eddie Horsfall has many hobbies of his own. Like his dad, he, too, is interested in photography and was the staff photographer for the "Academe", the Drury year book. He is also keenly interested in radio, and is preparing to take out his "ham" license for DX operators. But 17 years old, he is acting assistant scout master for Boy Scout Troop No. 42. Eddie will return to school this fall, to complete his senior year at Drury High School and hopes to continue studying in radio and electronics. Eddie has been a part-time employee in the Sample Laboratory during school year, and Al belongs to the Maintenance Department.



Eddie Horsfall



Al Horsfall and his well-equipped woodworking shop. Al says it's a family affair, since all members take a hand in turning out articles made here.

## Appointed Field Engineering Manager



Leon Podolsky

Mr. Leon Podolsky, widely known for his outstanding wartime developmental work on the Sprague Koolohm and other resistor components, has been assigned Manager of the Field Engineering Department of the Sprague Electric Company. He assumes his duties with a splendid engineering background, and under his supervision, his department will be responsible for all Sprague Electric engineering contracts with our customers and will provide technical information which the Sales Department may need.

Mr. Podolsky came to North Adams from Philadelphia in January of 1938, where he had been associated with the Wiert Company as chief engineer, and as an independent consultant.

Mr. Podolsky has moved his offices from the Marshall Street plant, where he was in charge of the field engineering work of the Sprague Products Company, to new quarters in the Beaver plant of the Sprague Electric Company.



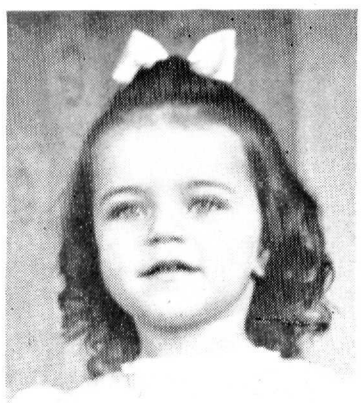
## KEEP SMILIN'

An Engineer is said to be a man who knows a great deal about very little and who goes along knowing more and more about less and less until he finally knows practically everything about nothing; whereas,

A Salesman is a man who knows very little about a great deal and keeps knowing less and less about more and more until he knows practically nothing about everything; whereas,

A Purchasing Agent starts out knowing practically everything about everything, but ends up knowing nothing about anything, due to his association with engineers and salesmen.  
—from "The Foundation", official publication of the Engineering Society of Detroit.





Perky as her bow, is little Cynthia Marie Hall, niece of Mary Zito of Block Test.



Huggable, lovable Mary Ellen DeFonzo, granddaughter of Mary Zito of Block Test.

### The Stork Club



**Daughter:** Mr. and Mrs. Burton Moloff are the parents of a daughter, born August 16th. The father is employed in the Etching Department.

**Son:** A son Bernard Jerome was born Monday, August 5th to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome A. LaRoche. The father is employed in the F. P. Drys Department.

**Daughter:** Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Dustin are the parents of a baby girl born on Wednesday, July 31st. The dad is employed in the Machine Shop and the mother formerly worked in the Resistor Department.

**Son:** Mr. and Mrs. George Roy are now a family of three. A baby boy was born to them on Thursday, August 8th. Daddy George is Foreman of the Carton Stockroom at the Marshall Street plant.

**Son:** Mr. and Mrs. Roy Astorino are the parents of a baby boy born Saturday August 10th. Mother formerly worked in the Mica Department Office.

**Son:** Mr. and Mrs. Edward McConnell are the parents of a baby boy born Tuesday, August 13th. Mother was formerly Cecelia Grenier of the Resistor Department.

### Engagements

**Poggi - Sauve:** The engagement of Miss Gina Poggi to Gerard M. Sauve has been announced. The wedding is to take place on Labor Day. Gina is employed in the Sales Office.

**Chalifoux - Bissaillon:** The marriage intentions of Miss Adrienne Chalifoux to Russell P. Bissaillon has been announced. No date has been set for the wedding. Adrienne is employed in the Boxing Department.

**Zappula - Rogowski:** Miss Lena M. Zappula, clerk in the Can Shop has announced her engagement to Walter Rogowski of the Can Shop. The date of the wedding has been set for October 26th.

## MARSHALL MUSIC

### Miscellaneous Drys

By Eddie O'Neil

#### Vacations

"Fran" Royal and wife, Dot, spent their vacation at the Cape... "Jo" Collins enjoyed the sights of New York City and Patterson, N. J... Agnes Davis spent a week touring Canada... Agnes Fitzgerald's vacation was spent in Newark, N. J... and Yours Truly spent a week and a half at Long Island, N. Y.

#### Wedding

Thelma Burdick said "yes" to Salvatore La Rocca of Jersey City, N. J. on August 2nd. A reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, and was attended by Cecile Risch and Mary Ziaja of our Department... Good luck, from all of us, Thelma.

Our ardent horse lover, "Chuck" Felix, spent two days at Saratoga, recently. Frank Como also visited Saratoga on the 10th.

Larry Scott came to work with a big bruise on his temple... Got in an argument with his car door, says Larry.

Norman Scott claims he fell asleep in the barber's chair the other day... and came back a baldy.

"Pop" Paddock has come back with some big fish stories since his trip to the Adirondacks.

We understand that Rowland Roberts is making out pretty well in his romance with a certain someone... ask Rowland who she is.

### Shipping and Carton Stockroom

By the Golddust Twins

Mr. and Mrs. Casimer Sanecki vacationed at Brant Beach, N. J., and some of the time was spent enjoying Cass' favorite sport (nine ballgames!!) ...and last but not least, he couldn't leave New York without a visit to his old haunt—the Latin Quarter.

Walt Burr, our "Jack of all trades", combined work with pleasure, and built himself a garage while on his vacation.

Whatever happened on Frank Cirullo's vacation, we will never know—but he sure is a new man!

Gosh! we Gold Dust Twins, in a round-about way, hear that Canada has many attractions—even causing a week's vacation to be extended to two... Just what is it, Ceil Trudeau!!!

Reggie Rowett: Please change that frown to a smile—remember, "Smile and the world smiles with you."

**Problem**—now that Miles Heath is working at Beaver Street and Mario Magnani at Building No. 2, what are the poor orphan geraniums going to do... Perhaps Ernie Belleau will take over... Oh no! not that! Anything but that!!

### Receiving Room -- Building No. 16

Miss Olive Dunn and Charles Bourdon of Check Inspection, Bldg. 16, have chosen September 2nd as their wedding date. They will be married in St. Josephs Cathedral, Manchester, N. H.

Everyone wondered who the Southern Belle was in Bob Boyer's office. Lo and behold, it was Viola Spagnolo, displaying a beautiful coat of tan. She has returned from a month's stay at Miami Beach, Fla. Her only comment was: "The only way to travel is by plane."

Springfield, Mass. was the stopping-off place for Margaret Astorino, who spent an enjoyable week there.

## SPRAGUE COMPONENTS GO TO ALL THE WORLD

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the United States, because it is necessary to build up the shipments to quantities of a definite total value to meet consular invoice charges and requirements.

Packing for foreign shipment is quite different than for domestic shipment. It is necessary to pack according to strict specifications. Each bundle can weigh only a certain number of pounds so that it can be carried by mule pack—or on human backs. We also have to pack carefully so that the loads will not be jarred by shifting in the holds of ships or by jolting over rough roads.

Many orders can not be packed in wooden containers although the latter would help greatly as protection on ships on rough seas. Instead, heavy corrugated paper with steel strappings must be used, because what we consider crude wooden packing cases are much in demand in foreign countries. Rough finished lumber, such as we use for packing cases and crates, is very scarce and high priced in most foreign countries today. So the cases "might

be lifted" somewhere enroute. In addition, there is a heavy duty tax charged on these wooden containers and just to make the headache complete, the steel strappings must be carefully and properly bound on by us, because if even one of them becomes broken between here and the port of shipment, there is a heavy cash charge for each repair... So, you see, every Department at Sprague's has its individual problems—whether in design, manufacture, or shipment.

**Incendiary Reconversion:** One of the most important weapons of the war was the incendiary bomb. Some 50 million pounds of the gelatinous, fast-burning incendiary made from gasoline, known as Pyrogel, or "goop", was on hand at the war's end and threatened to become a major problem of disposal. Now, it is being used to burn and clean up the hazardous debris left after logging operations in U. S. forests.



Sprague components will journey to far-a-way lands as scenic as this view of Lake Atitlan in Guatemala. They will jog over winding, narrow roads, by mule pack, will go by steamer, by plane, by rail to reach their ultimate destinations.

## VITAL ROLE OF ELECTRIC TESTER STRESSED TO HOME BUILDERS

That home you're planning to build can be "pre-shrunk" to precise and safe specifications—as was your favorite shirt that still fits despite the laundry and a changing world. The feat is accomplished in a little-known but vital construction routine, in which an electrical moisture recorder is used to make certain that building materials — particularly lumber and plaster—are in proper condition.

One of thousands of different devices produced by manufacturers of electrical measuring instruments and automatic controls, the recorder is working overtime as the nation presses its gigantic construction program to end the critical housing shortage.

### Check on Black Market

Its role as a watchdog, lumber and electrical manufacturers declare, is particularly important now because of shortages in lumber and reported black market operations capitalizing on unseasoned lumber.

"Lumber that has a proper moisture

content, as a result of various conditioning processes, has been pre-shrunk, in effect, and will not change its form materially after the house has been built," the manufacturers point out. "If the lumber is unseasoned, or with too high a moisture content, and construction proceeds, the results always are serious—and expensive."

### Wallpaper and Paint Guard

In addition to lumber and plaster, electrical recorders are used to test the moisture of concrete, stone, brick, building tile and insulation materials. In the case of plaster, the recorders determine whether it is dry enough to be painted without the risk of subsequent peeling, blistering or discoloration — whether it is dry enough for the hanging of wallpaper, or the installation of interior trim and woodwork finish.



**Northup - Windover**—Miss Priscilla May Windover became the bride of Mr. William Henry Northup, August 17th, in a double ring ceremony, at the Baptist church. Priscilla is a member of the Payroll Department, Beaver plant.

**Bua - DiDonna**—Miss Mary Elinor Didonna was married August 17th to Mr. Carmen Joseph Bua at St. Anthony's church. Mrs. Bua is employed in the P.A.A. Department.

**Pitroff - Pevoski**—Miss Victoria Mary Pevoski and Mr. Wilfred Martin Pitroff exchanged their wedding vows on August 17th at St. Joseph's church at a double ring ceremony. The bride is employed in the Boxing Department.

**Gagnon - Bordwin**—Miss Bernadine Alice Bordwin became the bride of Mr. Leo Christopher Gagnon at St. Francis Rectory, August 17th, 1946. Mrs. Gagnon is employed in the Block Test Department.

**Poirot - Sumner**—Miss Ruth Emma Sumner was married August 17th to Mr. Louis Henry Poirot. Both are employees of the Company — Ruth in P.A.A.'s and Lou at Marshall Street.

**Frank - Blay**—Miss Valida Marie Blay and Mr. Glen Theodore Frank were married in a double ring ceremony at Notre Dame rectory, August 17th. Mrs. Frank is employed in the Boxing Department.

**Ouellette - Wittig**—Miss Martha Rose Wittig became the bride of Mr. Eleric Francis Ouellette on August 17th at St. Thomas' Church. Mrs. Ouellette is employed in the Paper Rolling Department.

**LaCasse - Miller**—Miss Marguerite Miller of the Dry Test Department became the bride of Bernard LaCasse on Saturday, August 10th. The marriage ceremony was performed at the St. Francis church.

**Wotkowicz - Wysocki**—The St. Stanislaus Kostka church was the scene of the wedding of Miss Lottie Frances Wysocki to Frank Joseph Wotkowicz on Saturday, August 10th. The bride is employed at the Marshall Street plant and the bridegroom is employed in the Dry Rolling Department.

**Merlini - DaSacco**—Saturday, August 10th Miss Doris DaSacco and Silvio C. Merlini exchanged their I do's at the St. Anthony church. The bride is employed in the Paper Rolling Department.

**Novak - Maruco**—Miss Viola Mary Maruco became the bride of John M. Novak on Saturday, August 10th at the St. Anthony's church. The bride is employed in the P.A.A. Rolling Department.

## OUR SAFETY CORNER

### AVOID HAND-TRUCK DANGERS





## STEPS GOING DOWN!



Introducing the three sisters of Angie Segala of the Boxing Department. Big sister is Mary Catherine, next is Margaret Irene, and little sister is Jacquelin Rose.



## Payroll

The Department and many friends of Priscilla Winderover Northup, take this occasion to wish her, and her husband much happiness and luck during the coming years. Priscilla, who became the bride of Bill Northup on August 17th, is a veteran Log Reporter for this Department.

## Sorry!

Employees of Payroll, Time Study, and other Offices, are sorry to learn that Kit Carson has had to undergo an eye operation. Yours for a speedy and complete recovery, Kit.

## Boxing

By S. Wilk

We've missed our Department reporter, Connie Urbano who has had her tonsils removed. It will be nice seeing you back, Connie.

"A-sailing-we-will-go" in Frank Bernardo's new, collapsible, spun glass boat... Just wait and see all the fish he'll bring home now.

Have you heard Henry Neidzwiecki "parle française"?... claims he picked it up in France... and by the way, Henry, what's this we hear about you taking long, long walks down Ashland street every evening, and refusing rides? Do you whisper those "sweet nothings" to her in French?

This column wishes to apologize for erroneously announcing the engagement of John Mancini to Miss Phyllis Maynard of Adams.

Best of luck, "Cacie" Martinelli, on your new position... hope you like it.

## Vacationers:

Walt Westcott went on a fishing trip to Somerset Dam, Vt.... Florence Lecuyer vacationed at Hampton Beach, N. H.... Lila Abraham and Norma Cardinal at Old Orchard Beach, Me.... Elizabeth Hamilton at home, Felicia Skowronski at home, Springfield and Schenectady... Sally Rollman at home.

Best wishes and congratulations to our Victoria Pevoski who just recently became Mrs. Martin Pitroff. Her Department gave a miscellaneous shower in her honor and she was presented with many gifts... Best wishes from all of us, "Vickey."

Did you know that Andy Montgomery's favorite song is "To Each His Own?"

Ask Bill LaCross about his "initiation" into the art of riveting. We give you credit, Bill, for not even losing your temper! Huh? ?

Kenneth Downs, William Robert and Francis Lussier are back at work after spending a week on duty with the State Guard at Camp Edwards.

## The Upper Offices

By "Do" and "Flo"

A cordial welcome is extended to Alice Herman, who has joined our family group as secretary to Mr. Leon Podolsky. We are also very proud that Mr. Podolsky selected this office floor for his office quarters.

Has anyone noticed the absence of our live wire (Doris Roy) the past two weeks? "Do" is enjoying her vacation at Windsor Lake.

Mary Jane Douglas is enjoying her vacation visiting her sister in Philadelphia.

At this time we would like to welcome three ex-servicemen back and say we are happy they are also one of us: Renald Devine our plant mail man, whom you see busily attending to his business of delivering the mail... Roger LaPlante has resumed his work in the Factory Engineering Department which he left to serve in the U. S. Navy. (Still as friendly and good looking as ever, Roger)... Bob Bissillon another Navy man has joined the rank and file of the Production Office. (Aren't we the lucky people to have such charming male co-workers?)

## Formation and Centrifuge

By James Shea

Vacations:—Leonard Bourrie spent his vacation in Erie, Penna.... Edward Pringle is back after vacationing in New York City... George Beverly has been trying his luck fishing at Lake Champlain... Harry Embry went to Buffalo, N. Y.... and Ernest Foote spent his vacation in the wide open spaces out on the farm.

Marshal Briggs went up to Lake Champlain to take lessons from "Bish" Goyette, the "Champion of the Formation." "Bish," with his usual skill, was throwing back 17 and 20 inch pike—and yet brought home nine fish that only weighed ten pounds... The pike must be getting very thin this year.

Betty Bogus, our "one and only" girl in the Department, is back from Hampton Beach with a beautiful tan. Betty claims there was no "Heart Interest" there—but the "boss" and Your Reporter do not agree with Betty's claim.

## Impromptu Party

The Formation boys held an "impromptu" party on "Pete" Tash last Friday night. George Senecal presented "Pete" with a surprise gift of a pair of over-size, lace-trimmed shorts which measured 72 inches at the waist. "Pete" was so excited and overwhelmed, that he accidentally poured half a glass of beer down "Boney" Haley's neck.

There is no truth in the rumor that Joe Pevoski will take a job waiting on tables at the North Adams Sportmen's Club.

All the boys in the Formation will soon be riding around in "jeeps."

## Tubular Assembly

By Gert Hall

Frances Gayda, Jean Ross and yours truly and family spent a very enjoyable week at Old Orchard Beach, Me.

Best of luck to Marty Flanigan and Eddie Morin.

Best of good wishes to Jeanette Foote and Wilfred Rondeau, who were married recently.

"Cassie" Gliwski received a very special card from yours truly, but why the blush, "Cassie"?

Happy Birthday greetings, Rena Soula and Adele Solari.

"Kay" Marra is beginning to wonder if she will ever stop peeling.

What Would We Do Without: Edna Lavariere's fresh eggs... Jeanette Rondeau's blushing... Maude Waska's witty remarks... Frances Gayda's laughter... Matilda Carter's perfect French... Kay Marra's ability... Vera Davine's new recipes... Gert Hall's good humor... Stephanie Szurek's quietness... "Cassie" Gliwski's, "Can I help you girls"... Clara Marceau's awed expression... Dot Blanchard's pretty smile.

## Block Test

By Mickey Kozela

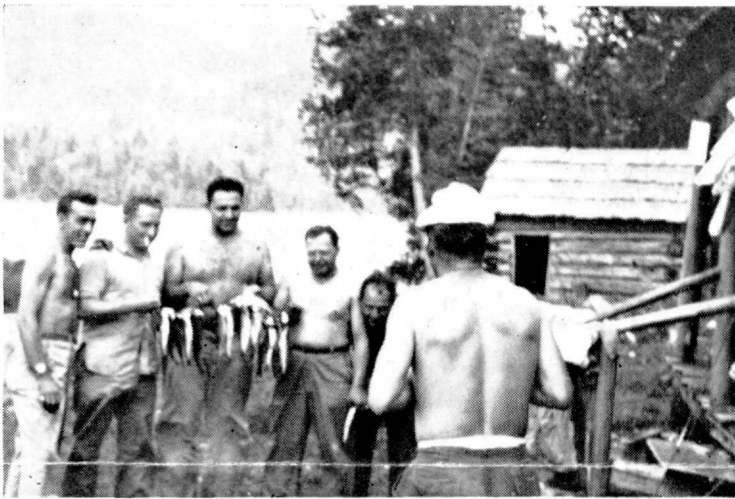
Best of luck to Josephine DePaoli and Stanley Mastzisz, who are to be married on September 7th... Also to Bernadette Bordwin and Leo Gagnon, who were married August 17th.

A shower held recently on Bernie Bordwin Gagnon and attended by a number of her co-workers was a most enjoyable affair. Her sister, Mrs. Charles Cyr, was hostess and everyone sure had fun—including the "three Smokers."

Birthday greetings to Bertha Jennings, who celebrated hers on August 18th... Congratulations to Ruth Arrighini who also celebrated hers on August 19th.

Vacations: Adele Solari spent hers at Manchester, N. H., Yours Truly had an enjoyable time at Atlantic City despite a terrific sunburn... Grace E. Collins toured through Chicago, Denver, Salt Lake City, Colorado Springs and Butte, Montana... Anna Malloy spent hers in Boston and Nantasket Beach.

## WHERE THE FISHING IS GOOD...



Says Bob Garner of Engineering Drafting, as he proudly displays this catch of trout caught at Crooked Lake, St. Come, Canada.

## Plating

By Lucille Little

A speedy recovery to "Zig" Nazzewski, who recently underwent an appendectomy at the local hospital.

Lena Zappula got a nice tan at Lake Champlain, although we're wondering why she didn't stay the entire week.

The fellows would like to thank Clifford Domenichini for all the rides they have had in his "banana wagon", (car, to you.)

Tommy Dean and Jimmy Scarbo are getting to be more alike every day. They both believe in getting plenty of rest and sunshine.

Note:—Joe Spagnolo laughs like the "Great Gildersleeve", but Leo Bombardier wishes he could sing—we wish he could, too.

If you want the latest dope on anything just whistle for Nick Mantello.

Ed Shartrand found a cat that he thought was a beauty so he named it "Flea Bag".

We were sorry to see Esther Bartholomew leave us, but she got lonely for Ohio. I wonder if she would like about twenty passengers on the trip?

Howard Isherwood's vacation wasn't quite long enough for him. He was so tired all day the Monday after.

Shirley Degere eats the biggest and the greenest apples in town. I hope she doesn't hurt herself climbing her neighbor's fence.

The quietest lady in the Can Shop could be Anna White but beware when she decides to be noisy.

Deepest sympathy to Frank Morandi on the loss of his brother, Peter.

## F. P. Drys

By Lil and Rose

Will someone ask Millie Tatro why she carries pliers wherever she goes?

Congratulations to Jerry LaRoche on the arrival of his new son. Time to pass cigars, Jerry.

The co-workers of Esther Bartholomew feted her at a farewell party recently at Petey Dinks and to wish her success and happiness in her new home.

Congratulations to Bernie LaCasse and best wishes to Marge Miller LaCasse who were recently married.

Someone should tell Rose Moresi where to sit when taking driving lessons or is it a gag?

The honor of being a modern Rip Van Winkle goes to Elmer Maynard, who fell asleep in the parking lot and woke up with the noon whistle.

## Honor Co-Worker

A spaghetti supper was served recently at the home of Pearl Dubreuil in honor of Bessie Leonard, who is leaving for California to make her home. By the way, Pearl, what happened to the first cherry cake?

Congratulations to Millie Gilman on her engagement to William Wiggins of New York City.

If Dotty Alderman doesn't stop yawning we are going to petition her dates to bring her home earlier.

Alice Senecal and Mary DelPonte, our aggressive check inspectors, certainly had Harold Taft "boxed up" the other day. We aren't using a figure of speech either.

## Ovens Department

By Louise Bass -- Pinchhitting

We'd be lost without:

Clovis Lambert's teasing  
Alice White's pin curls  
Irene Shepard's pranks  
Margaret Pedercini's smile  
Florence Clement's "Daily News."  
Joe Messina's disposition.

Rose Pasotti finds bus-riding very uninteresting after a week's driving in that 1946 super Lincoln with that super duper chauffeur... Don't keep him such a secret, Rose, who is he?

Rose also has cause for a celebration—her brother, formerly of K.V.A., has recently been discharged from the Army.

We miss Lil Peck's lively talk since she was transferred to the Rolling Department.

Dress alike—Alice White and Dot Sala.

## F. P. Ovens

E. V. and E. S. -- Pinchhitting

Congratulations on your new apartment, Evelyn Sherman—some people have all the luck!

Loretta Milisiewski is taking it easy on her vacation at home.

Stop chewing your nails, Jean Cuddaback—better times are coming.

We are glad to see Esther Volpi back after her recent illness.

If interested in underwater swimming, please notify Eleanor Dobbert. We almost lost our mermaid.

Birthday greetings are in order for Beatrice Shepard who celebrates hers on the 27th and for Clara Fitzpatrick, whose birthday occurred the 21st.

Have you ridden in your brother's jalopy as yet, Leah Lesure?

What a relief to get rid of those timers!



Strolling through Central Park: Theresa Pisano, Anne Mangano and Mary Del Ponte.

## Sample Lab

By the Shadow

Don't feel neglected, "Nini" Sacco, about your name not being in the lime light. Someday when they write a comedy on your game, "Now you see it, now you don't", you'll be famous.

"Tete" Montagna and Emma Marino are back to the dull grind of work after spending a perfect week at Asbury Park, N. J. Tough isn't it, girls?

"Gerrie" Reeves spent her vacation at various places of interest in Canada, Lake Champlain, Petit-Lac-Magog, St. Annes and Quebec. It's fun listening to her tell of the different things there. Do you still need a rest after all that traveling, "Gerrie"?

Did you know we had a chiropodist in our department? I wouldn't recommend him as he tried working on his own feet and ended up by limping. Is the toe better now, "Mac"?

# A. C. Line

By Vi Short  
Special to the LOG

Lucien Siciliano while vacationing at Hampton Beach the week of August 5th attended a show similar to Vox Pop. Lucien was asked a question and answered correctly. The prize was a round trip to Florida with all expenses paid. Lucien and his wife went via plane to Miami where they spent three glorious days visiting places of interest and having a wonderful time. This must be what is called the "thrill of a life time."

## A Friend Indeed

Pat Lesage asked Roy Trotter if he would deliver two barrels to his home after work one night recently. When Roy went to get the barrels he found it impossible to get them in his car, so with the assistance of Ray Quadland he took the barrels apart.

Now Pat was waiting patiently for the arrival of the boys and the barrels at home. When Roy and Ray arrived and Pat saw the condition of his barrels, well, my friends, the swooning of the bobby-soxers after listening to Sinatra croon was nothing to the swoon of Pat. The Winnah!

It was a hot race this day on the A.C. Line between Dudge and Richards. The scores: Dudge 1330, Richards 1467. Yea! Who won Dudge? Expenses Made

Roy Trotter made expenses to St. Anne de Beupre by doing his shopping in Montreal. Bargains such as, 3 cucumbers for a nickel, a 11 pound ham for \$2.20, etc. Nice financing, Roy.

# Bathtub Assembly

By Ruth Haskins

Vacations: Frances Roy enjoyed a trip to New York City... Edith Dean visited Canada and Rouses Point, N. Y.... Ethel Fosse took in the races at Saratoga... Lucy Libardi enjoyed swimming at Pontopoc Lake.... Evangeline Dupuis went to Amsterdam, N. Y.... Anne Palmer enjoyed a rest at home... Elinor Charbonneau motored to Canada and your reporter spent her vacation at Lake Shaftsbury, Vt.... Rose Dilego spent her honeymoon in New York City. She and her husband had planned to fly from Albany but the plane was grounded because of bad weather. Too bad, Rose, I am sure you would have enjoyed the plane ride.

# Block Annex

By Esther Driscoll

Vacationers: Charles Desrosiers at home, Alice Allard at Springfield, Mass., Inez Tatro visited Springfield, Mass. and Bennington, Vt., Margaret Perrault at home, Marion Scott at Windsor Pond, Plainfield, Melva Heelan went camping, Juliette Tash visited in New Hampshire, Jimmy Dean at home, Florence Moreau went to Canada, Alice Lavariere journeyed to Boston and Alphonse LaFountain spent his, in Springfield and Holyoke. (Holyoke seems to hold quite a fascination for him).

We are glad to see Ernie Barcomb back with us.

Rose Simon has a beautiful diamond from a certain boy in Adams. We wish you the best of luck, Rosie.

# Maintenance

By Umbriago

News from this reporter will be short since many of our boys are working now at the Marshall Street plant — "Noisy Buster" Sherman, "Stubby" Caron and "Farmer" Ben Russell of the Carpenter Gang, Andrew Girgenti, Wally Daniels and Forist McLain, Jr. of the Millwrights, and Joe Schneider, Jr. of the Electrical Gang. Keep 'em moving, boys.

George Forgea, Henry Bechard, Harold Chilson, and our office clerk, Doris Benedetti, are on the vacation list this issue.

We welcome back to work, Adrian Poirot after an absence of four weeks.

## Car Trouble

Joe Schneider, Sr. is having his troubles with that car again. Joe, Jr. says that springs just won't stay in the car. Our advice to you, Joe, try some Sandsprings.

Don't be surprised if you see Bill Falcon's and Henry Roy's names on the Boxing Card soon. They expect to make the semi finals any day. Henry is debating whether to take Bill on. He accuses Bill of kicking his feet out from under him.

Henry Roy is not having any more trouble with his new product, "Fix All", as he has got a new stick and it really is doing the job. How about it, Henry?

# Boy Wanted

He paced along the corridor  
His heart suffused with dread;  
At length a smiling nurse appeared,  
"A nine pound girl," she said.

The second year he trod the hall  
His head was in a whirl;  
When came the nurse and softly said:  
"A plump and lovely girl."

The third would surely be a boy,  
They meant to call him Earl;  
But when the tidings reached his ears  
The name was changed to Pearl.

And when the fourth one was assured,  
They talked of John or Will;  
But when the baby came along  
They compromised on Jill.

In fifth and last place came the twins  
He acted like a loon;  
Instead of Earl or John or Will  
His wife said, "May and June."

Hugh Ballantyne  
(Uncle of Doris Williams of Block Test)

Zoo Visitor: "Where are the monkeys?"  
Keeper: "They're in the back, making love."

Visitor: "Will they come out for some peanuts?"

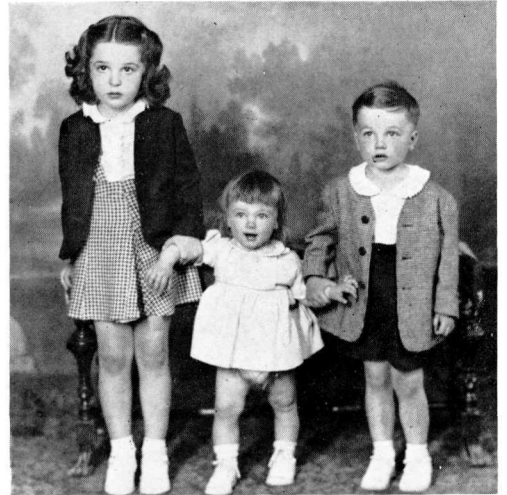
Keeper: "Would you?"

# On Vacation



Clayton Collins of the Laboratory, and his wife, "Jo" of D.T.Q. Department, stroll along the "Great White Way" while in New York.

# HOLD THAT POSE!



"Patty", Maurcen, and "Butch" Bartlett take a bow. They're the nieces and nephew of Eunice Timothy of Block Annex. Mother Francis, and daddy Howard, were employed here formerly.



Come on in: say Roberta Martin, Alice Morrison, and June Mahoney at Hampton Beach.

# Dry Rolling

By Ann Barbuto

Not much news this time, just a few flashes: Did you hear about Amie Desgrand's new job of sign work?... "Pat" Boucher and Cecile Rondeau are such hard workers. Trying to make bonus, eh girls?... Carmela Tassone has been giving the girls a few dance lessons. (Please Carm, not on water — it's safer on dry land.)... The card shark of the Department is none other than "Red" Lewitt.

# BROWN STREET BRIEFS

## Maintenance and Machine Shop

By "Little Lulu"

Another two weeks have rolled away, With the same routine followed each day: Though our Machinists have nothing to report that's new, We still have our mischievous Maintenance Crew.

Let's start with vacations: Harold Bohl spent part of his vacation unsuccessfully trying to get out of North Adams, finally gave up and came back to work... Frank Cumberland went to New York and Hampton Beach... "Limpy" DePaoli stayed home and worked on his "wolf trap", (car). Hope it runs when you get through, "Limpy"... Mathew (Lucky) Brady, at Boston, Mass. Will have more to tell about his vacation in the next issue... Art Caron also went to New York... Doc Plumb, Bill Falcon and "Wash" Santelli week ended in New York. Due to a big Friday night "Wash" missed the morning train but joined the boys in the afternoon. A good time was had by all.

John Rossi is buying and selling cars while waiting for his jeep.

Who went fishing up at Somerset one Saturday recently and saw a rainbow at 10 P.M.? Better watch that liquid diet "Chick" Currant, it makes you see funny things after awhile.

## Funny Sight

Six-foot Charlie Dean driving five-foot Harry Estes' 1921 Packard. The seat is jacked up for little Harry and with Charlie behind the wheel, he looked for all the world like "King Tut."

He: "What would you do if I kissed you?"

She: "I'd call my brother."

He: "How old is he?"

She: "Two years old."

# MAYNARD-ROBERTS WEDDING



Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Roberts (center) married on May 25, 1946. Lawrence is from Owens Dept., and his bride, the former Helen Maynard was from the F. P. Department. Their attendants, (left) were her brother, Richard Maynard of Dry Rolling, and Bernadette Choquette, her sister, (right) Mary Ziaja, of Misc. Drys, and Robert Senechal.

# Recipe of the Month

## CONSERVE WHEAT

Putting Every Last Crumb of Bread to Good Use is an everyday way to aid the other nations of the world, some now existing on fewer calories a day than we like for dinner. Simple as a nursery rhyme, when there's stale bread in the box, is delicious Mother Goose Pudding.

## MOTHER GOOSE PUDDING

4 slices buttered bread  
1 cup raisins  
1 cup New Orleans molasses  
Grated rind of 1/2 lemon  
Cut bread in cubes. Heat molasses and raisins to the boiling point, add lemon rind, and pour over the bread. Toss all together lightly, and serve, hot or cold, with whipped cream. (Four portions).

WE KITCHEN ENGINEERS KNOW that the flour and flour products we get nowadays "ain't what they used to be" because of the flour extraction rate having gone up from 72 to 80 per cent. Until things are normal again, here are a few more tips, straight from the home economics experts in Washington, on how to get the most out of "shared" flour and bread: First, heat your flour in a 250° oven, to kill any infestation and keep flour from going bad. Wash your bread and cake boxes with vinegar, dry thoroughly, and air in hot sun, to retard molding of baked products stored in them. Of course, bread stays fresh longest under refrigeration, if you're room to keep it cold. Either way, don't neglect to twist shut the end of that bread wrapping.



## Brown Street News

(Continued)

## Sample Lab Gab

By the Ears and Eyes

Our Brown Street editor politely informed us reporters to "get on the ball", so here we are again. We like to write our news but we need a little pep talk once in a while.

Our vacations are all over now and all seemed to enjoy themselves, even if they looked twice as bad when they came back. A couple of them couldn't even make it so they took an extra day. Ahem.

During the week of August 12th a miracle happened in the Sample Lab—one of our men, the one with blue eyes, actually helped to empty the paper barrel and sweep the floor.

Gosh, Anne Watts, can't you remember that the soldering irons are hot? Please watch out.

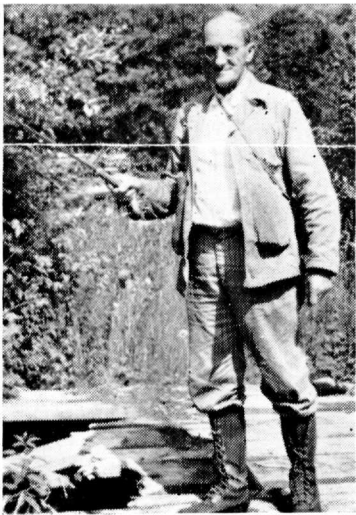
If Helen Burzimati asks you for a match don't give it to her. She has plenty of her own but hates to use them. Take it from one who knows.

With much sadness we bid adieu to Peter, "What a Man", Abuisi. So long pal, we'll miss you and so will the king,—you know who.

A hearty welcome to Eddie Macksey, who has joined us.

Notice to the strong men! Whenever we have a thunderstorm, rush to the Sample Lab. Most of the girls here are afraid of storms and would welcome a pair of arms to protect them. If you can't find them look under the table.

## "Just Like This" - -



Larry Weld shows how he casts to get those big ones, at Lake Dunmore, Vt. Larry works in the Wire Coating Department.

## Wire Coating

By Betty Jangrow

B's

Bees in your bonnet,

Bees in the trees

Two men in our Department

Can't let the little bee be.

Helen Burdick's son, Robert of the U. S. Navy, is stationed at the Summit Radio station, Canal Zone. He says that he is enjoying the country and hopes that some day he can have his family down for a visit... it is only 8 hours by plane and 6 days by ship!

Lucille Miller and family are enjoying a vacation at Stinson Lake, N. H. and at Plattsburg, N. Y.

Helen Burdick and her husband spent an enjoyable vacation at Hampton Beach, N. H., and also took in the races at Rockingham.

Hope that 'Pete' LePage gets plenty of out-door exercise this week!

Paul Sanford's son, Robert, left for Wake Forest College, N. C. He enlisted in the V-5 Div. of the Navy Air Corps after graduating from Drury this spring.

## Resistors

By Lucy Abuisi

We are glad to have Marianna Hanafin back with us again after having been absent four months.

Vacationists: Lucy Abuisi, Atlantic City... Jean Donovan, Lake Bomo- seen, Vt... Maude Jones, Boston, Mass... Helen Jobin, camping... Bertha Salavantis, camping (Bert had to call her father to come after her because, "Pa, I'm lonesome.")

## P. A. A. Rolling

By Brenda and Cobina

We have several more new girls with us and wish to extend them a cordial welcome at this time.

A party was held recently in honor of Laura Doran, who celebrated her tenth wedding anniversary. She was presented a lovely cake by several of the girls and later in the day she was again surprised by the gift of a lovely orchid from her husband. That orchid sure made many of us envious.

We wonder why Peter Maruco journeys to Springfield so often — why three certain young ladies carry umbrellas when the sun is shining?

Helen Scarfone attended the races at Saratoga and won \$1.70, but didn't reveal what her losses were. Maybe she actually came out ahead.

Vacationists last month: Gena DiLorenzo at Atlantic City... Helen Cutler in Detroit and Chicago, Virgie Piaggi at Asbury Park, N. J... Mary Matranga at Atlantic City.

## I. O. Impregnating

By Thelma Sherman

Some guys are called handsome, but we have a "cutie" working with us. Wonder who it is? The P.A.A. Department knows.

How was your vacation, George Coody? Did you have a wet one?

The \$64 Question: Should we buy Robert Bishop new pants or a needle and thread?

I say, "Who stole 'Red' Grew's pants and shoes?"

Bob Davison spent a week at camp where he played a game called tennis. In what part of the game did you have to use your knees, Bob?

Have you heard of the new roofer, who hangs from the kitchen ceiling? See Arthur Langlois for details.

Our boss spent his vacation at Joe's Pond in Vermont. Did you save that big whip for next year, Harry Lovett?

## P.A.A. Waxing

By Rita Samia

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Tony Davis, who were presented with a son weighing 6 pounds and 7 ounces. The mother is "Peanut", who formerly worked with us.

Another bride of the month from the P.A.A. is none other than our Mary DiDonna, who became Mrs. Carmen Bua on August 17th. Best of luck from all the gang.

Welcome back, all vacationers, hope you are rested and ready to resume work again.

Have Alma Kent, who spent an enjoyable week in Connecticut basking in the sunshine, tell you of some really interesting experiences she had.

Marge Kernahan had to spend three of her days in bed, but the rest was spent enjoying herself in Maine and New Hampshire.

Ruth Williams spent her two weeks catching up on her sleep.

Has anyone seen Dot Bussy's pride and joy, her "32" Plymouth she just bought. Harry wants to know when you are taking it to work, Dot, so he won't have to take the bus anymore.

Clear the road folks, here comes Charlotte Exford down the stretch trying to beat the other autos. Your doing darn good, kid, keep it up. If your husband can stand it I guess we can.

What three girls were seen going into Candyland the other day when there destination was really State Street? Signs are awfully confusing aren't they, girls?

## SPORTS

## Softball League Nearing Finals

As the Northern Berkshire Softball League goes into its final round of the second half, it appears that Adams will have the playoffs all to themselves, this year. McKinley Square, which won the first half, is currently tied with the Kostkas for first place, each having suffered only one defeat. Meanwhile, the Corner Cafe and Sprague Electric have dropped four, and three games respectively and will have to play 1000 ball if they figure to get into the playoffs.



D. Sanecki

Pilots Team to Victory in First Half

Looking over past Sprague games, we find that they defeated Hunter's and Strong-Hewat rather soundly, and then were trounced 9 to 1 by McAndrews, another Adam's team which has pennant aspirations.

## Softball Notes - - -

The Sprague Electric team suffered the loss of one of their key men when Nel Roy, ace shortstop, turned his ankle recently. Roy has been a sparkplug all year... Cebula, McAndrew's pitcher, turned in a neat 4-hit effort to whitewash the Kostkas for their first defeat... Ray Bergeron, the Corner Cafe's new pitcher, lost his first game of the season when Sprague's beat him 4 to 2... Cozz Sanecki, the McKinley Square coach introduced a novel idea when he proposed that the competing teams engage in a post-season tournament to help swell the League banquet fund... New backstops have been bought and are ready to be installed at the Greylock and Braytonville fields... the recreation committee lost little time in putting the city council's appropriation of \$450 to good use.

## What!

## No Industrial League!

North Adams is the only city which this writer knows of, that has no Industrial Athletic League. As a means of preparing one for the future, I believe it would be a good idea if, at the conclusion of the regular N.B.S.A., the rival industrial plants engage in an elimination softball tournament. I feel certain that this tournament could easily be the foundation of regular inter-city competition between our industrial plants. This matter should be given considerable thought, for the want of athletic recreation among "shop workers" of North Adams is, and has been for several years, lacking in this field. —B. Bullett



Manager Frank Santelli with his Williamstown American Legion Team, which has brushed with the Sprague Baseball Team. Frank, (top left) is employed in Boxing. Sprague workers will recognize the faces of several of their relatives, as well as W. O'Dell of Centrifuge Department (front row, third player).

## Bullett and Russell

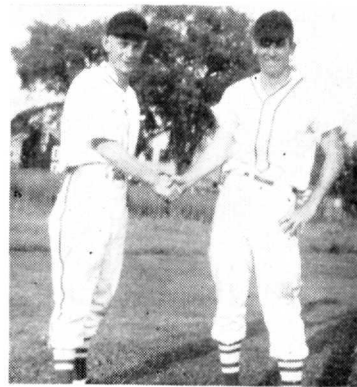
## Sprague Baseball Team Holds Banquet

## Baseball Stars



"Walt" O'Dell, the veteran catcher for Sprague Baseball team.

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Carl Hanson and "Hank" Brown infielders for Sprague team.

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All eyes on batter-up, in the recent Greylock game.

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Many office girls we know are what may be called old-fashioned girls. There are also some who drink manhattans, martinis, and scotch and soda.

While the Sprague Baseball Team has not officially closed its season, nevertheless, the members got together for a banquet at the "1896 House", Williamstown, on Tuesday evening, August 13th. Everyone had a swell time. "Bob" Sprague wittily introduced the guest speaker, Jack Washburn—one of our few faithful followers—who seriously discussed the Club—its present and future. "Next year, the Club will be one of the first to take the field and with the Company solidly in back of us, we shall endeavor to give the employees of Sprague's and all sport fans, the spirited and right kind of ball game that will be a crowd-getter and pleaser, at the same time." ...that was the gist of the remarks given by our Personnel Manager.

Our next speaker was our coach, a former Williams star athlete, Fielding Simmons. His remarks were brief and to the point. He felt that the boys had played well and that next season, the boys would have much to say in the race for the flag... Last, but not least, "Hank" Gamari, our manager, was called upon for a few remarks. One important thing, he said, was well worth mentioning: the idea of organizing an Industrial League. With shops such as Gale, Wall, Hunter, Strong-Hewat, and others, getting together baseball nines, and with the backing of the various concerns, everyone should enjoy a great year on the diamond.

In concluding my covering of the Baseball banquet, here are some items that might be interesting to look into—such as asking Jack Washburn about the sale of jeeps, or "Hank" Gamari, as winner of the first prize blue ribbon.

## Here and There in the Sports World - -

**Baseball --** Major League—The Boston Red Sox have now played to more than a million cash customers in Fenway Park, the home of the Sox. This sets a new high for the boys from the "bean town." At this writing, they are sporting a 13 game lead over their nearest rivals, the N. Y. Yankees. The Red Sox have 40 games left to play. In the National League, the amazing Dodgers have stunned the experts by continuing to cling to the lead in the league. They are sorely pressed by the "Redbirds" from St. Louis who were tabbed by the experts as the team to beat for the flag.

**Local Ball --** The boys from Greylock have clinched the second half of the Northern Berkshire Twilight League and will now play the Kostkas of Adams — winners of the first half for the title. This playoff promises to be pack-jammed with thrills... so turn out fans, and see the fireworks!

**Golf --** The North Adams Country Club is staging a tournament for women only. This is something new in this section, and all women golfers should welcome this opportunity to show their skill.

**Football --** Well, fans, autumn must be just around the corner — why? The St. Anthony Crusaders,—great team of a year ago—once more dons the moleskins and starts practicing for the opening of the season... Drury High is about ready to start practice sessions as Coach Johnny Del Negro has already issued the call... more on this in our next issue.

—Ken Russell